OF MEN AND WOMEN

Distinguished People of Both Sexes Give Opinions

INGERSOLL'S FINE DIFINITION

Some Are Wisty, Some Wist, and notice Only Pacetions, But All Are Interesting Cross Views,

The use of the word "lady," to de-The use of the work hay, to accide all members of the weaker sex from the charwoman to la grand dame with her palace on Fifth avenue, has of late become a common offense. In spite of this fact, however, the good old Saxon word has not entirely lost its original significance, as will be seen by reading the opinions which follow from a number of prominent men.

Above all a lady is kind and thoughtfal of others. Whatever her outward charms may be her soul is adorned with the juwels of honesty, fidelity and virtue. If she is rich she visits the poor; if poor, she is industrious and hopeful. In her heart there is none of the spirit of casts. Without envying the higher she pitties the lower. As daughter she is affectionate, as wife faithful, as mother loving and self-denying. Whether hundsome or homely, in robes or rags, the perfect lady is the COL. ROBERT G. INGERSOLL in robes or rags, the perfect lady is the crown of the world.

HAYOR GILBOY. A lady is a natural production, I do not care whether she is rich or poor. A lady is a woman faithfully and tenderly all of the duties imposed upon her by the station in

TRALE What is a lady? One who sells CLIVER SUBSERIEALE, things. All oth-

OLIVER SUNNER

A lady is one who not only looks after home and family in each and every particular, but who endeavors at all times to bring happiness into the lives of others—a woman who is civil to her equals and gentle with those who are not so fortunately placed se

SUPERINTENDENT BYRNES. The misapplication of the term lady has nothing to do with the name in itself. You can attach it to whatever you like, or use it in any sense you choose, but the word with its strong

significance remains the same. It means a woman who by nature or acquirement preserves a refinement itself felt wherever she goes. She con mands respect and gets it. Whether in me drawing-room or the crowded streets of some rough district, her ladylike demeanor is bound to have its effect, and by instinct people s will know she is a lady and treat her

IL B. SOTHERN.

Who can define a lady? She is a perfame. We don't know what to name her. A lady has no definition that I know of. In my opinion though she is a well-brod, good woman; a good woman above all. Each man has his ideal, and every other man shutters it.

DISTRICT AFFORNEY SECOLL. If seems to me that the essential qualities of a lady are modesty, refinement and a

desire to consult the feelings of an, in order to be a lady in the highest some of the term, should not be too to sective in mon-

ber, and should never set us if investor nuitaes. she thought the knew more than everytine else. A lady always does kind, nice things, always loves her home and uses her induence to make more better and happier. A. St. MUNIMINE

In my estimation a lady comprebends all that the lovellest, daintiest, also is the superlative of her sex.

aweetest, tenderest, noblect and lest of womankind implies. In one word, PATIEN CORNIGAN. What is a lady? She is an angel. An angel in human form. There are but iwa perfect



E. R. MITHERS. you know, we les shout the laties. And so, with priestly cameroation, I must contest myself with saying that I believe woonact is the surest means of bringing monie to Heaven. And is not that enough? What more could one say?

By the majority of people the term gratiemus is used to describe any mean who is well aroused, fairly well educated, and who always has money by him postout.

It is not so easy, however, to define what the word does mean in its high-

Squestioned a number of height and well known momen, whose opinions on the subject I assume .

APPRILITIA STREET, A man other is and and considerate to others, whether they are his inferties or aqual a near who is an position tox old very more as his to to a giving and bandsome one. I am sure the sight I can the officer day was the set of a true gentleman. A young !

while with the other he helped her enrefully on the horse car. Now, there is a led who was brought up in the right way, who was taught to be courtesus to all women, and that to be gentlemanly to the old and poor never lowered his dignity one whit. I think you can also tell a gentleman by the manner in which he comports

himself at the table. No mass ter how poor his is, he will know how to handle his knife, for and napkin if he is well brought up. Another excellent place tq find out a gen-

tleman is in men are such hogs on trains and in hotels. I have had plenty of chance to observe them, I assure you, traveling around so long, and such instances of selfish-

so long, and such instances of scittshness as I have seen in men who called themselves gentlemen you could hardly believe.

No man who is selfish can possibly be a gentleman, because he is always thinking of himself, and when

will end by being discourte-

man to jump up and give me a sent when sent whenever AUNT LOUISA EL-

I enter a car. ought expect to take their chances and oftentimes the hard working man is much more tired than the girl he vacates his seat for; but I do like to see a man willing to do it, and not sit still with an exasperatingly contented look on his face as if glad he was cheating some woman out of a seat. I don't think a man is always ungentlemanly because he does not get up for a lady, but I certainly consider it the act of a gentleman when he gives his seat to the old or to a woman with a child in

MARIE TENPEST.

A mind as white and pure as the driven snow. A man out of whose mouth you never



er and family. I detest a goody - goody man. I think as a usual thing we find them insincere; but a man

hear an unkind

word about a

woman, and a

man who re-

spects his moth-

hom you can make a friend of and one whom you never hear utter an ob-scene word, is what I should consider an ideal gentleman.

MRS. JIMNNIE JUNE CROLY. A gentleman is one who possesses the best qualities of a man united to the best qualities of a woman.

BELEN DAUVEAY. A gentleman? A man who can be brilliant and intellectual without egotism; courageous without effrontery. Honest to the extent of always declaring his unbiased opinions regardless of results. Loving without selfishness, ssionate without lust. Just but humane, and never forgetting, especially in the presence of women, that his mother was a woman.

MARQUISE DE LANZA. Having seen very few gentlemen in the course of my career my remarks must be of necessity more speculative than they would be were they based upon actual experience of a wider kind than I happen to possess.

I may say here that I am not one of those who wax eloquent over what is termed "pature's poblemen." for while of course the fine traits to be met with in this special class are essential to the true gentleman, he requires many other qualities which the other never has and cannot acquire by chance. I don't want to be considered snobbish but I place good blood before everything else that goes to make a gentleman.

I have seen numerous aristocrats who were anything but goutlemen, but that does not alter



the fact that a certain refining instinct, which can be inherited only, is needful for the gentleman. It is all nemmense to de-55 clare one man to be as good as BELEV BAUVRAY, another, flo

isn't always, any more than a cart herse is the equal of the racing steed or the mongrei in the gut ter that of the thoroughbeed dog who is as fine in his way as a dainty child; To good birth I would add good breeding, and it is just this attribute which the man of inferior birth finds is must clusive and difficult of attainment. The prime tests of good breeding are invariable courtesy towards women, strict honesty towards men, an avoidance of exaggeration and excuse in the ordinary affairs of existence and an absolute control of passion in any form. These things are the outcome of the broad and liberal culture, the knowledge of the world coupled with the Survey force. to recognize its fotbles and at the same time understand how to escape them. that go to the making of a gentleman. But with all this he must have nothing of either the prig or the pedant in his mposition and he must love eletue for its own sake. By virtue I don't mean chesp forms of morality but a wide comprehension and performance of the everyday duties of life, that leave nothing to do with the highways and byways of human wonleasas.

Williamson -- Did the man you hought the mole from say that he wonldn't knex? micron-No. but he would have and so if I had selved hom. - Brooking than on do: in the "Arabig a Nights."

TIPS ON NEW YORK

A Coming Reconciliation Between Mr. and Mrs. Descon.

HOWELLS A REVOLUTIONIST

Gift-A Postmaster's Dijemma. Digging for Treasures.

A reconciliation between Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Dencon, they of pistol and paramen

fame, is what of this sun dered couple have been try-Ing to bring about for some time. Only very recently has there been rea-son to hope for a mecessful is-

Baldwin, stepmother of Mrs. Deacon, and young Baldwin, a brother, have been mainly active in the negotiations. The interests and future of the Deacon children—financially, hot mornally—have teen powerful arguments with Mr. Deacon. It seems that he has even consented to an interview with his former wife in the presence of a third party. What sort of a reconciliation is to be arrived at seems conjecturable. Friends of Mr. Deacon say he will not do anything more than agree to see his wife now and again, but Mrs. Deacon's friends declare that she has been given to understand that the husband is willing to forget all the past.

forget all the past.

What gives color to all this is the advent of letters which throw an entirely new light upon the relations with Abeille. Those epistles, in connection with other evidence, show that Mrs. Dencen's conduct was inspired by devotion to a friend whose secrets must be guarded under penal, y of social ostra-cism. During the divorce proceedings, it now appears, Mrs. Deacon could have cleared herself from all imputations had she chosen to make known all she

All these things are said to be paying the way to a final reconciliation of this

A Postmaster's Dilemma.

Postmaster Dayton's trip to Chicago was made not only to see the world's

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fair, but to gain an insight into postal methods outside of his own city. He has not expressed himself one way or the other on the subject of the proposed convention of postmasters

to hold in Washington. The postmasters should they meet are expected to petition congress for a law giving them tenure of office during good behavior. Civil service reformers are at the head of this scheme, say

cusation of being under Mayor Gilroy's thumb. The mayor, having been instrumental in Dayton's appointment, may feel that he should have a hand in the distribution of the spoils. At all events, it seems that Mr. Dayton and Mr. Gilroy are not on the best of terms, a fact which will have an important influence on New York poli-

Digging for Treasures. The attention paid to St. Luke's hospital, the institution in which the



revival of stories concerning the burial of treasure, decades ago, on the site of that granite and jewels that would make a Monte Cristo seem poor in comparison figure in the narrative of those who place faith in these

Vanderbilts are

interested, is

doubtless re-

sponsible for the

A hospital patron, who, is very near the Vanderbilts, gives this account of

it all: The treasure story originated years elsee, owing to a find of miscre' h pear the hospital lot. So far from there being a wish to dig for treasure on the grounds, I doubt if there has been the remotest whisper of such a thing. Indeed, roost of the officers and patrons of St. Luke's do not know that treasure was even supposed to be buried near the hospital. There is absolutely no foundation for the story."

"What of the report that St. Luke's people repullate the treasure story so as to get it themselves?" "Well, if anyone thinks there is a fortune under the ground, let him buy

the property and begin digging " The Business Lover. Mrs. Frank Leslie is about to connect

her name with a new eccentricity. She will attempt a business revolution. That is, business is now too matter of fact. There should be more heart in it. The customers of a

house shirable be a wet of clab, oblisting it to be more lemient and agreeable. Then there should be recriptions during business The families of business men should be more a part of the trade than they are. The Orientals, Mrs. Leafe thinks, manuse such thing, better for instance, the murchana made love

and danced and did other things in the course of their work. The trouble in our country is that the people do not get much fun in business hours. We are all of us too boay.

According to Mrs. Lpalie there is to be a change. There must be no cast iron rules. The employes should hold levees and teas and all the rest of it. That a change must come she has no doubt.

Wilde and the Out present sunflower ornament s one of the indications that Oscar Wilde will soon be among us once more. As Mr. Wilde, hov-



Four Hundred. The lady, it is understood, is to be made the subject of a poem by the visiting versitier, in which she will be compared to that Sulpicia whose rhythmic sweetness perturbed the souls of Roman lovers. The production is to be a sort of knock-ut-thegates-of-society. The Vanderbilts have always been describt interested in Oscar always been deeply interested in Oscar Wilde, and when he does arrive he will doubtless be afforded no end of a good

Howells as an Abarchist. Author William D. Howells is about to come out as an advocate of radical

changes in the social system. He is even ac-cused of decided leanings toward apprehy. As is wall known, he condemned the execution of the Chicago anarchists. In recent years he

has taken the position that the New York police have been acting entirely too arbitrarily toward the social upheavers of the East side. Such men as Barondess and, in a way, Herr Most, do an educational work, he contends. It is not likely, however, that Mr. Howells will become a political leader. His idea is to elaborate such theories as he holds into a book that will rank with "Lea Miserables" in French fiction. That is, Mr. Howells does not say the production will rank with that sny the production will rank with that classic, but his literary friends declare

Mr. Howells is the only living Amer-

read by the princess of Wales. Wedding Gifts to a Chinese Bride. There is a deep regret in the Chinese



present to Com mander Whiting's bride. The object was a series of Chinese flags, ensigns and shields entwined. It must have cost a pretty sum, as the former Chinese minister subscribed liberally and his country

men from Gotham to San Francisco cont. ibuted according to their means. There were pearls, rubies and other precious stones sprinkled over the yellow silk that formed the material of the canopy. It was intended to adorn the bed posts of the couple's room, for Chinese consider this the luckiest form

Unfortunately, a fire in the Chinese quarter ruined the proposed gift, and only the gems and the gold are now fit for anything. If the incident possesses any significance at all Christians would deem it a bad omen.

The Chinese, however, say that this is a beneficent portent. It mans long life for Commander and Mrs. Whiting. with many beautiful children and no end of earthly happiness.

DAVID WECHSLER.

Telegraphers' Conversation. Their morning greeting to a friend in a distant city is usually "g. m." and the farewell in the evening "g. n." the letters, of course, standing for good morning and good night. The salutation may be accompanied by an in-quiry by one as to the health of the other, which would be expressed thus: "How ru to mng?" And the answer would be: "I'm pty wh liw r u?" or "I'm at fig vy wl; fraid I've gt t maiaria.

By the time these courtesies have taken place some early messages have come from the receiving department or from some other wire and the man before whom they are placed says: "Wi has a fu: gol durn is everlastin" grind. I wish I was rich."

And the other man says: "No rest for wicked; min. pen." the last words indicating that he wants the sender to wait a minute while he adjusts and tests his pen. Presently he clicks out "g. a." meaning "go ahead," and the day's work has begun.

Operators laugh over the wire or rather they convey the fact that they are amused. They do this by tele-graphing ha, ha." Very great amuse ment is indicated by sending "ha" slowly and repeating it several times. and a smile is expressed by sending "ha" once or perhaps twice. Washing

Obeying An Old Adags. Justice-Why did you stool that we-

terprinel clouk? Prisoner - I didn't think it was wrong to try to lay up something for a rang

BRIDES OF A WEEK

Society Assists in Colebrating Several Brilliant Weddings.

VARIOUS SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

The Work's Events Bare Roen Prin-cipally Matrimordal-Miscellaneous Gossip About Persons.

At the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Julia A. Thurston, Miss Inez Lucila Thurston was married to Henry Parke Barrington of Ionia, Michigan, on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, October 12. The Rev. J. W. Russell performed the ceremony in the presence of lifty guests. The bride was dressed in white India silk trimmed with brocade eatin and white silk lace. She was attended by Miss Mary. Ansorge and Miss Fearl Barrington of Ionia, sister of the groom. Both were gowned in white silk. The groom was accompanied by Willard Gouldsbury and George Thurston, the bride's brother. Miss Chara B. Ulrich and Mrs. Victoria Marvin played Papini's Russian wedding march. Guesta were present from Marion, Ohio, Big Rapida, Sparta, Fennville and Euglishville. The bridal pair went to Ionis Friday, and after October 25 they will be at No. 26 Livingston street.

Miss B. Leone Harrison and Fred C. Drew of Redlands, California, were married at 7 o'clock Tuesday evening, October 10, by the Rev. J. C. Floyd, in the Second street methodist church. The beride, who was dressed in white silk, was attended by her cousin, Miss Marion L. Yates, who wore a gown of pink silk. The best man was Guy E. Drew of Three Oaks, cousin of the groom. The ushers were J. F. Kusterer, L. L. Skellman, H. L. Bean and McKay Judson. One hundred and fifty guests were present at the reception which followed from 8 to 10, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Harrison, of Walnut Hill, West Bridge street. On the 25th of the month Mr. and Mrs. Drew will leave Grand Rapids for their future home in Redlands.

Morris-Cox.

In St. Andrew's cathedral, on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, October 11, the Rev. Father Benning married Miss Anna Elizabeth Cox to Thomas Francis Morris. Miss Kittle Cox and Will Cox, the brother and sister of the bride, attended at the altar. The bride's gown was a violet tinted cloth and velvet and the maid's of dove-colored wool. A breakfast and reception were given at the home of the bride's father, James Cox, of Paris township. Upon their return from Chicago Mr. Morris will take his bride to their home in Stillwater.

In the Park congregational church on Tuesday evening, October 10, Mr. & Mrs. S. B. Jenks, gave their daughter, Miss Gertrude A. Jenks, in marriage to Pecci-val B. Garvey, recently from San Fran-cisco. The Rev. Dan F. Bradley united cisco. The Rev. Dan F. Bradley united the couple in the holy bonds. A recep-tion at the home of the bride followed the ceremony. Upon the return of Mr. and Mrs. Garvey from their wedding journey they will be at home at No. 100 Washington street.

Morgan-Davis. Tuesday evening, October 10, Oliver Morgan and Nettie M. Davis both of this city were united in marriage at the the home of the bride, No. 70 Henry the home of the bride, No. 70 Heary street. The service was performed by the Rev. Thomas G. Smith. Only the immediate friends of the young couple were present. Light refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan drove to their new home at No. 197 Gold street where they will be pleased to welcome their friends.

The marriage of Miss Cora Steiner to Arthur Fowle was quietly observed on Wednesday afternoon, October 11, at the residence of Mrs. Mary C. Wynkoop of No. 4 Allen park. The Rev. John L. Jackson was the officiating clergyman. The bride wore her traveling gown of mahogony-colored wool and velvet. Mr. and Mrs. Fowle left at once for Chicago. After November 1 they will be "at home" of Mrs. Evans, State street.

Lewis T. Wilcox of the Wilcox Heat and Light Company, left yesterday for Hartford Conn., where he will be mar-ried to Miss Francis White of Rich-mond, Va., on Tuesday next. Miss White was formerly a teacher in the schools of Jackson, Mich. Mr. Wilcox and his bride are expected in the city Wednesday. They will live at No. 270 North Prospect street.

McLachlin-McBrien.

On Wednesday, October 18, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mar-tin I. Sweet, Miss Florence McBrien will be massied to Bobert McLachlin of St. Thomas, Ontario. The wedding will be quietly celebrated. The bride and groom will go at once to their future home in St. Thomas, Ontario.

Cards have been issued announcing the marriage of Ernest L. Hunter, book keeper for the West Michigan Printing company, and Miss Jessie M. Ballon, to take piace next Tuesday at the residence of the bride's parents at Sunfield, Michi-

The announcement is made of the engagement of Otto Meyers of St. Louis, Missouri, to Miss Alice McGowan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Mc-Gowan, of Lagrave street.

Bridai Party.

Mrs. Eoos Putman gave a supper Monday evening in honor of the Garvey-Jenks bridal party. The ovening was merrily spent in dancing and social en-joyment. Cardinal and white carna-tions were the decorations of the home. and the souvenirs were white satin sachets in form of apples.

Complimentary Reception. Mrs. Wonderly has issued cards for 8 e'clock Tuesday evening to a complimentary dancing party. The honored guests are Miss Perkins of Rochester, N. Y., and Miss Willets.

Mr. and Mrs. Wonderly's Reception Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wonderly gave an evening on Thursday from 8 to 11 in home of their goests, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Hamilton of London, England.

The Serecth Ward Municipal League cinb was entertained Turnday afternoon



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25 dozen Gray Cashmere

Vests, 39c worth 75c. 70 dozen Ladies All Wool Vests and Pants \$1, worth Dr. Jeager's Underwear at

3314 per cent from list price. BOYS' HOSE. 100 dozen Boys' Grey Merino Hose, sizes 7 to 8, at 18c,

worth 25c.

KID GLOVES. 35 dozen Ladies' 8-button length, Suede Mosquetaire, at \$1.10, worth \$1.70, Irelands celebrated brand at 88c, worth \$1.25,

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worth \$1.25.

Initial Handkerchiefs, at 8c, worth loc. MEN'S UNDERWEAR. One lot Men's Ribbed Balbriggan Underwear at 73c.

Men's Colored White Merino at 42c, worth 50c. Men's Natural Grey Wool, at 68c, worth \$1. MEN'S MERINO HOSE.

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